

SUBJECT: City of Johns Creek – Transportation Master Plan
Transportation Special Called Subcommittee Meeting

MEETING DATE: May 5, 2008

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ATTENDEES: Transportation Sub-Committee

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LOCATION: City of Johns Creek, Ocee Conference Room 4th floor

MEETING MINUTES:

The meeting began at 7 PM and was concluded at 10 PM.

Opening Remarks

- Kristine Hansen-Dedrick opened the meeting by providing an overview of the agenda. The introductions were followed by a discussion by Marie Garrett of the Comprehensive Plan Process and the purpose of this meeting as part of that process.
- This meeting was called to allow the committee, staff, and consulting team an additional opportunity to discuss issues related to the policies and strategies identified to improve transportation in Johns Creek through year 2030.

Discussion of Policies, Strategies, and Project Recommendations Map

- Rod Wilburn provided discussion of the recommended transportation policies and strategies. This discussion resulted in rewording of several of the policies and strategies.

- During the discussion of the policies and strategies, several topics were discussed including:
 - The need to consider innovative transit improvements, such as personal rapid transit, when technology becomes available to make this a feasible option for implementation.
 - The overall cross-section of Medlock Bridge Road that is recommended by the consultant is for six through lanes. This represents a significant expansion beyond the four through lanes currently provided. Measures to reduce the effective width of the road and minimize its impact when widened should be considered.
 - Discussion of impact fees and other funding sources.
 - Addition of a new roadway crossing of the Chattahoochee River should be explored with Gwinnett County.
 - The need for examination of the McGinnis Ferry Road corridor for possible future capacity expansion or intersection improvements at Medlock Bridge Road should be performed once the McGinnis Ferry Road improvements currently under construction are completed.
 - Discussion of transportation goals derived from the Comprehensive Plan that were carried forward into the Transportation Master Plan.

- There was discussion of secured parking for transit to downtown, MARTA and airport

- The City should investigate innovative funding options.

- Inter-connections should be recommended that will not negatively effect adjoining residential subdivision.

- Rod Wilburn then led discussion related to the projects shown on the map of draft transportation project recommendations. The following are some comments that were derived from that discussion.
 - Short term project should be defined at the intersections of Old Alabama at Nesbit Ferry Road, Hayes Bridge Road and at Jones Bridge Road to provide improvements prior to the widening of Old Alabama planned in year 2020.
 - The area of Old Alabama Road from Jones Bridge Road to Haynes Bridge Road should be indicated for improvement of existing four-lane road instead of widening to a four-lane road.
 - The Abbotts Bridge Road and Parsons Road corridors should be shown as a pair of roads with widening of each to three lanes with Abbotts Bridge Road having two westbound and one eastbound lane and Parsons Road having two eastbound and one westbound lane.
 - A connector road from Morton Road to Parsons Road should be considered.
 - A mid-range intersection improvement should be considered along State Bridge Road at Morton Road.

- Current intersection projects along Bell Road at Boles Road and Rogers Bridge Road should be added to the map.
- Parking for trail access should be provided along Rogers Bridge Road for access to the Chattahoochee River via the existing trail and eventual access to the new trail proposed along the river.
- Kristine Hansen-Dedrick and Rod Wilburn reviewed the discussion items presented by the committee and the items included in the parking lot at the end of the meeting. It was generally concluded that those items had been discussed in the course of the meeting. There were two items not did not receive a full discussion: tolls and bypass connections around hotspots.

These meeting minutes reflect the understanding of Richard Fangmann, attendee at the above referenced meeting. Please indicate any changes and return these meeting minutes via email to Richard.fangmann@jacobs.com. As always, please email me if you have any questions or comments regarding the meeting minutes.